

OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY
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PROPOSITION 77

Date: July 25, 2005

Reapportionment. Initiative

Constitutional Amendment.

Proponents: Edward J. (Ted) Costa, Dr. Arthur Laffer,
Major General Sidney S. Novaresi (USAF) Ret.,
and Jimmie Johnson

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

**REAPPORTIONMENT. INITIATIVE
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

- Amends process for redistricting California's Senate, Assembly, Congressional and Board of Equalization districts.
- Requires panel of three retired judges, selected by legislative leaders, to adopt new redistricting plan if measure passes and after each national census.
- Panel must consider legislative, public comments/hold public hearings.
- Redistricting plan effective when adopted by panel and filed with Secretary of State; governs next statewide primary/general elections even if voters reject plan.
- If voters reject redistricting plan, process repeats, but officials elected under rejected plan serve full terms.
- Allows 45 days to seek judicial review of adopted redistricting plan.

**Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of
Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:**

- One-time costs for a redistricting plan. State costs totaling no more than \$1.5 million and county costs in the range of \$1 million.
- Potential reduction in costs for each redistricting effort after 2010, but net impact would depend on decisions by voters.

**SUBJECT TO COURT
ORDERED CHANGES**